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MARRIAGE.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 27TH, 1906.

That is a very noteworthy conversation by His Majesty William II of Germany, a condensed translation of which from the *Munchener Neueste Nachrichten* we give elsewhere. It is interesting as coming from one of the most interesting monarchs in modern history; but we regard it also as a useful New Year message from a man of undoubted ability, a man who (let his critics say what they like) takes life seriously as becomes his responsible position. There is a lack of sympathy about modern journalism for which newspapersmen are not exclusively to blame, and we are not surprised to find many papers dwelling on features of the Imperial observations which can obviously be taken less worthily in isolation than they should in relation to their context. It is easy to suggest that a man who can be goaded to complain of his critics has not the strength of character conventionally desiderated, if we forget that the strongest harness has its joints, and that the greatest hero cannot be expected to be superhuman. In this instance the KAISER has not copied MARIE CORELLI; he has not merely caused his human heart by girding at those who misunderstand him. He seems to have spoken for more than himself; and if the world will only ponder the points raised, he will not have spoken

altogether in vain. Without being able to approve altogether of extreme optimism, we can envy his Majesty his faith. He is too able an intellect to be wholly sincere in declaring himself "an out and out optimist," and without the laudable motives inspiring his latest lay sermon, would probably acknowledge the folly which makes men label themselves one or the other. It may be expedient and practical for men to be whole-boggers in politics, to be out and out Radicals or out and out Tories, but it is certainly unwise and unnecessary for them to profess optimism or pessimism, and antitheses germane or analogous. Life is a mixture of complementary opposites, and the true philosopher emulates the boy at the picnic, who was asked whether he would take pickles or jam, and answered "a little of both, please." In the homely phraseology of the least accessible philosopher we know, there is a time to laugh and a time to cry; a time to be optimistic and a time to be pessimistic; a time to be happy, and a time to be sad; and whichever time we may like less, we must not overlook its function, which is like that of the discord deliberately inserted in certain harmonies. Drab is dreary, but all purple would soon have an equally fatal monotony. The KAISER, however, has hit upon the time when more optimism seems greatly needed.

For his advocacy of optimism is at bottom merely a timely plea for a revival of faith in effort, and Germany has no monopoly of that form of slackness at the plough-handle for which they have, in their so convenient language, coined the word "reichsverdorbenheit." What is the good of disgust in effort asks the KAISER; better work and look ahead. Quite so. It is very human and painfully easy for a worker to feel discouraged, disgusted, weary; even the KAISER's optimism could not save him from the pangs that are obvious in this latest outburst; but who can refuse to admire the courage with which he utters his *retrouvé* to the subtle devil of *reichsverdorbenheit*? What really saves him, more than courage—for courage is one of those things, like mislaid paper cutters or can-openers, that are not always at command when wanted—is his sense of humour. His unfriendliness has dubbed him the *reises-Kaiser*, the "globe-trotting monarch," and he quite enjoys the joke. His only regret is that he cannot do more to deserve the nickname. The queer morsels of philosophy that have enshrined themselves in the British vernacular have had what we believe to be a recent addition to their number. "All the snags a hundred years hence," chirps the word of person who giggles at "open confession is good for the soul"—"It will be all the same a hundred years hence; we shall be a long time dead." That is harmless when used as a subsidiary coin of the currency of resignation; but decidedly mischievous if recalled at the front of effort. There is not a single thing for human doing or attempting of which the pessimist cannot demand "what's the good?" so that poor human nature has to fight against discouragement both before and during the race. Our world needs such reminders as the German Emperor has just given; and as it is fond of beginning each new year with a watchword, we do not think it unwise to recommend the KAISER'S contribution—let us all, in or out of this Colony, "work and look ahead."

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board has been postponed this week till Thursday. The agenda indicates important business.

Their Royal Highnesses Prince Vladimir of Denmark and Prince George of Greece left Hongkong yesterday on board the *Berna* for Yokohama.

The operations in Formosa have ended successfully, and large tracts of arable land, camphor forests, and tea plantations have been added to the area under civilized rule.

The Kawasaki shipbuilders launched a 3,500-ton steamer, the *Yoh-yang*, for the N.Y.K.K. on Christmas day. She appears to be a triple-decker, designed for passenger traffic.

Our Berlin correspondent writes that the contract for the new large German battleship which is to take the place of the obsolete *Sachsen* has been assigned to the *Weser* yard. The actual displacement of the new battleship, which is the first of its class and is built in emulation of the *Dreadnought*, will probably be about 18,700 tons.

The secretary of the Peking Syndicate has informed the London Press that the directors have received a joint cablegram from the expert recently sent out to Hunan and the chief mining engineer, stating that No. 1 shaft had been sunk to a depth of 610ft, that the ground is very good, progress satisfactory, and that coal was expected to be reached within the next few days. Nothing further could be done in No. 2 shaft until the drift at 560ft. was completed, which would take about fourteen days.

The N.C. Daily News learns from a private telegram from Makhdon that there is reason to believe that the death of Mr. Fairchild, the American Deputy-Consul in that town, was the result of an accident.

General Booth has since admitted that he was misinformed when he boasted that "the Salvation Army had been instrumental in rescuing 30,000 gipsy girls from the state of bondage in which they were held." "Somebody seems to have grossly deceived him."

At the sixty-sixth ordinary general meeting of the Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company held on Dec. 11th the directors, after providing for the usual dividend at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the preferred stock, recommended a dividend on the deferred stock of 6 per cent for the six months, and a bonus of 3 per cent, making, with the interim dividend of 3 per cent paid in June, a total distribution on the deferred stock of 13 per cent for the year. This return is equal to 9 per cent per annum on the paid-up capital of £2,320,000.

It was reported on Manchester Royal Exchange last month that Japan is endeavouring to place a stupendous order for spindles among the Lancashire engineering firms, though the rumour of 3,000,000 spindles was regarded generally as exaggerated. One Oldham firm, it was stated, had been asked to supply 600,000 spindles, which on the basis of the present mills in Japan would mean an addition of twenty factories in that country. It is said, however, that the delivery was too urgent to enable the firm to accept the order.

A Jewish and a Christian lawyer were employed in a single case. When it was finished the former said that he thought their fee for the service rendered should be five hundred dollars, to be divided equally between them. The latter said: "Well, leave it to me." A few days thereafter he gave to the former a cheque for fifteen hundred dollars as his half of the fee collected. As the Jew received the cheque he looked at it carefully, and then at his Christian brother, and said: "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian."

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. Prior, O.S.O. and Officers, the band of the 129th Duke of Connaught's Own Baluchis will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Thursday, 27th December, 1906 (weather permitting):—
March Espagnole "Sorella," Gallini
Overture "Charles VI," Healey
Andante "The Broken Melody," Bionne
Selection "La Figlia Del Re," Donizetti
Largo "The Girl of the Golden West," Handel
Three Dances from Henry VIII., German
Selection "The Earl and the Girl," Schubert
Gavotte "The First Kiss," Schubert
God Save the King.

Captain Brinkley says that China's persistently obstructive attitude in all dealings with Japan since the conclusion of the Peking treaty last December is creating much umbrage, especially her protest just lodged with reference to the Manchurian railway regulations, which at this late hour she declares to be in accord with the Porters' and Peking treaties. Her reasoning is considered frivolous, and her long delay in protesting is regarded as wilfully designed to create embarrassment. The Japanese claim that they have observed absolutely every international obligation, and declare that a continuance of China's present mood must lead to estrangement between the two nations.

A splendid record of life-saving, for which he holds the Royal Humane Society's medals, is associated with Captain A. Campbell Galloway, who has just been appointed naval aide-de-camp to the King. In 1873 he jumped overboard at night from H.M.S. *Palus*, at Port Said and saved a drowning sailor who had tried to swim off to the ship; in 1882, when the *Warrior* was running at a good speed under steam and sail, in a heavy gale, he went with a boat's crew of volunteers in the Bay of Biscay, and rescued a man who had fallen overboard from the *Hercules*, and three years later he leaped from the *Invincible*, at Singapore, and made heroic efforts to save a man who had fallen from the foreyard.

For many years the Bible Society has enjoyed the privilege of free passes for its agents and books over all the lines of the Russian Empire, the same favour being extended to the railways in Manchuria. This recently became known to the Japanese authorities, who at once most generously granted the same advantages, so that the society should not suffer in any way through the change of ownership. The society has also received several donations from Japanese individuals (one gentleman heading the list with 500 yen—£50) who have joined with Europeans and Chinese in raising over £2,000 towards the building of the new international Bible depot for Manchuria in Nienchwang.

In a report to the Washington Bureau of Manufacturers on the trade of China, Mr. Thorneill Haynes, the United States Consul at Nankin, says it would be most unfortunate if his countrymen were to be for ever tied down to an unsystematised, spasmodic, hit or miss attempt to gain trade by sending over circulars which have utterly no meaning to a Chinaman. He recently read of the great good a Consul thought he was doing in distributing such circulars. There seemed to be an incessant demand for them by the Chinese. A Chinaman one day, in calling for American trade catalogues, said he would especially like those with thick leaves, and this, exciting the Consul's curiosity, led to the discovery that they were wanted as inside soles for shoes! Tracts meet a like fate.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

RUSSIAN NAVAL TRAGI-FARCE.

LONDON, December 26th.

The officers of the Russian warship "Negotatoff" have been sentenced to death for surrendering to the Japanese.

JAMAICA RAVAGED.

LONDON, December 26th.

A great storm has swept over Jamaica, doing wholesale damage.

EX-PREMIER RECOVERED.

LONDON, December 26th.

Mr. Balfour is better.

SHANGHAI LAWYERS
REFUSED PRACTICE.

SHANGHAI, December 26th.

Judge Wilfley of the United States

Supreme Court in China held an examination on Monday of the American advocates practising at Shanghai.

As a result, six candidates were rejected, including men who have long practised there. Judge Wilfley's decision is equivalent to a disbarring of these.

Messrs. Fernigan and Fessenden were the only ones to pass.

[The change now effected will be a welcome one to properly qualified lawyers, American and others; it will also repair the damaged prestige of American law at the Northern port.]

RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 23rd.

Count Alexis Ignatieff, the former Governor of Kiev, has been assassinated.

The elections for the Duma are fixed for the 19th February.

FOOTBALL.

LONDON, December 23rd.

The South Africans have defeated Cornwall by 9 to 3.

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE IN AUSTRIA.

LONDON, December 23rd.

Both Houses in Austria have passed the universal suffrage.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S EASTERN TOUR.

LONDON, December 23rd.

The Duke of Connaught will start on the 10th January for the East.

THE ILLNESS OF THE SHAH OF PERSIA.

LONDON, December 23rd.

The Shah of Persia is sinking rapidly.

[N.C. Daily News Service.]

FORTY VESSELS LOST.

TOKYO, December 26th.

During the blizzard at Dalny thirty-five Japanese and five Chinese vessels were sunk. Five lives were lost in the wreck of the *Miyaka Maru* which sank at Cheloo.

WRECK NEAR MOJI.

TOKYO, December 26th.

The steamship *Chinkai Maru* is ashore at Moji.

THE "SUFFRAGETTE."

(By a Policeman.)

As I was standing upon my beat
In my tunic neat and blue,
I seen a woman waving a flag,
And I says to 'er, "Oo are you?"
She sticks a hat-pin into my leg,
And she ups and says to me "Boo!"
I'm a kind of a giddy cosmopolite,
Woman and springbok too.

"I'm good in the loose, and I'm good in the tight,
And I kick like a kangaroo.
I'm a kind of a giddy cosmopolite,
Woman and springbok too."

It isn't no joke, I can tell you straight
(The subject to pursue),
To have to run in with a friendly grin
This here Suffragette crew.
You has to be gentle, but they have not,
I could tell you some things they do!

They're a kind of a mixture-as-before,
Woman and Hooligan too.
They make such a noise that you'd almost
think
You was out in the good old Zoo.
They're a kind of an extra special blend,
Woman and fog-horn too.

CHRISTMAS IN HONGKONG.

Christmas passed off quietly in Hongkong. There was a complete cessation of business and the weather being reasonable—cold and bracing—the pleasures of the day were not entirely confined to indoor enjoyments. The usual midnight services were held in the R.C. Churches, and were largely attended, the most numerous congregation being of course in the Cathedral where Bishop Pozzoni officiated. His Lordship also celebrated High Mass on Xmas morning. In St. John's Cathedral the Xmas Day services, conducted by the Rev. F.T. Johnson, attracted large congregations. The entertainment of the young was emphasised and in other respects the great festival was marked with the customary rejoicings. At the Sailors' Home, Seamen's Institute, Soldiers and Sailors' Home, and similar institutions the occasion was not allowed to pass without appropriate recognition and at the Government Civil Hospital the patients were brightened on Christmas night by a most enjoyable concert, in which H.E. the Officer Administering the Government took a most successful part. While the streets were by no means deserted, it was evident that most people did not care to go far abroad on Tuesday. At Happy Valley there were a fair number engaged in the sport of some-kind, the only novelty being provided by the naval yard sports. Yesterday, however, the place was a regular Mecca, and crowds assembled to see the various games in progress, the bright sunshine encouraging a large attendance.

SAILORS AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

A tea and variety entertainment, arranged by the Hongkong Temperance Union, were given at the Sailors and Soldiers' Home last night. There were about 150 present in the large hall, which had been tastefully decorated for the occasion by Mr. Matthews, assisted by blue-jackets and a very pleasant time was spent by all. Songs were sung by English and Chinese children, glees were rendered by the choir, instrumental selections were played, and performances on musical dumbbells were given. The Rev. C. Bone, superintendent, presided, and was supported by Mrs. Brown, the president. An excellent tea was provided by the matron, Mrs. Jacobs.

AT THE NAVAL YARD.

There was a goodly number of Naval yard employees on Tuesday. The forenoon of that day was devoted to sport, the annual football match, marked by a single, taking place at Happy Valley and ending in a win for the latter team. Then races and tug-of-war were indulged in until it was time to return for Christmas dinner. At this, Inspector Lawrence presided over a large master and a jolly hour was spent. In the evening a dance was held in the mess room which was prettily decorated for the occasion. An attractive feature in the decorations was the large shield of medals on either side of which was a circle of daggers. The medals included the South African, the Somali, the Indian frontier and the China and belonged to members of the Dockyard police who had seen service in the places mentioned. A large number attended the dance, and all were well cared for by Inspector Lawrence and a number of the police, whose efforts were responsible for the success of the evening.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.

The annual sports in connection with this church were held at Stonecutters on Christmas day, the same success attending them as in former years. Several launches carried the holiday makers to Stonecutters where the afternoon was happily spent amid pleasant surroundings. When a long sports programme had concluded, the party returned to the Institute at Kowloon where dinner was provided. Then the event of the evening was the unloading of the Christmas "brig" of out of which every man got a present. Pro. readings were followed by the contribution of songs and recitations.

CONCERT AT CIVIL HOSPITAL.

Hospital patients were not forgotten in the season of peace and goodwill, and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves at the concert held in No. 11 ward on Tuesday afternoon. The ward was tastefully decorated by the nurses and a number of patients, and the merits of the concert can be judged by reference to the programme appended which includes prominent names in the local musical world.

His Excellency, Hon. Mr. F. H. May, amused the audience with his Irish anecdotes and the humorous songs of Mr. Cobden caused much merriment. The programme was as follows:—
Pianoforte Solo "Valse Ballet" (Chaminade), Mr. G. Grimble; Song "Gleaner's Slumber Song" (Waltham), Mrs. Bodeley; Song "The Bandolero" (Leslie Stuart), Mr. G. Balloch; Recitation "The Heart's Charity" (Eliza Cook), Miss Blair; Song "The Widow Malone" (J. Russell), His Excellency, Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G.; Humorous Song, Mr. A.S. Cobden; Pianoforte Solo "Bereans" (Anon). (This was composed by a lad of 11); Mr. G. Grimble; Recitation "Irish Anecdotes" (Anon). His Excellency, Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G.; Song "I know a lovely garden" (G. D'Hardelet), Mrs. Bodeley; Song "Three for Jack" (Squire), Mr. G. Balloch; Song "Peace and Rest" (Barton), Mrs. Newbourn; Humorous Recitation, Mr. A.S. Cobden; Xmas Carol "The First Nowell."

The Notes *Vremya* reports, on the authority of the correspondent of the *Ozka Mamichi*, that the Foreign Office here has declined the proposals made by Mr. Motono to open the Amur for Japanese fishermen and to permit Japanese to settle in Siberia. Russia contends that the question of the Amur concerns only herself and China, and permission to the Japanese to acquire land in Siberia cannot be entertained while Russian subjects are not permitted to become landholders in Japan.

POLICE BALL.

The committee whose efforts culminated in the successful dance held at No. 7 Police Station last night, from the congratulations of many in attendance had the satisfaction of knowing that their labours had not been in vain. With that forthright which characterises the police, everything necessary to insure the success of the evening was anticipated, and with the pervading spirit of goodwill which prevailed the dance was bound to be a success. The sombre appearance of the station was entirely transformed, and under the bright light of arc lamps, mellowed by that of numerous Japanese lanterns, the surroundings looked very imposing. The ball room was prettily draped with flags, the usual placards "If you want to know the time ask a policeman," etc., which were hung round the walls attracting the eyes. Messrs. Ritchie and Grant acted as M.C. and fulfilled their onerous duties to the satisfaction of all concerned, while those to whom dancing did not appeal were conveyed to the adjoining rooms by members of the committee who saw their wants supplied. Those associated with the work which brought the ball to a successful conclusion were Messrs. Baker, Gordon, Grant, R. Macdonald, Carr, Brand, Kendall, Davis, Lee, McLennan, Brennan, Watt and Ogg.

Dancing started about nine o'clock and was continued until an early hour in the morning. The programme included four waltzes, two polkas, three sets of quadrilles, two sets of lancers, three bar dances, two Circassian circles, Caledonians, German schottische, Highland Reel, De Alberts, Highland schottische and Sir Roger de Coverley. Music was supplied by the Calcutta String Band.

DEPRECIATION OF GOLD.

[WRITTEN FOR THE "DAILY PRESS".]

BY THE HON. STEPHEN W. NICKERSON.

Some explanation of what may seem to us moderns an almost incredible idea—that silver could over anywhere have been estimated more valuable than its rival, gold—is to be found in the following considerations:—
We have had handed down to us no account of any important silver mines, nor of the knowledge of the art of reducing silver ores, in the Orient; but, as in Germany and elsewhere over the earth's surface, we do know that the golden sands of the Indian rivers have long been worked. Moreover, there is a tradition that Arabia in remote ages was devastated in the search for gold as completely as was Egypt at a subsequent period, and in certain provinces of the Roman empire at a still later date.

Hence we may infer that there had accumulated in the Oriental world, of which Arabia then formed a far more important part than now, a considerable amount of gold, but comparatively little silver—before the discovery of the Crocian silver mines. For disregarding the cost of production, which of itself has had far less influence upon the value of the precious metals, relatively to one another as well as compared with commodities in general, than is popularly supposed, it is quite probable that the limited quantity of silver existing in those ancient times may have rendered that metal more valuable than gold.

In harmony with this thought are the facts that in Peru gold was esteemed of less value than copper previously to the arrival of Pizarro and his plundering murderous companions; and that in Japan, where the silver mines have always been less prolific relatively than those of gold, the ratio was six of gold to seven of silver before the Portuguese brought these islands under European influence and made the ratio temporarily far more favourable to gold. And surely we find some confirmation for the opinion expressed in the further fact that the Japanese resorted to their old ratio after the era of Portuguese commerce ended in A.D. 1639. Then, too, when the American Commodore Perry opened Japan to trade with the United States in the middle of the last century, the ratio was extremely unfavourable to the yellow metal according to our ideas, being, even so late as that time, three silver to one gold, though some writers put it at five to one.

But in the Western world gold seems always to have been the more valuable metal. Thus the earliest Egyptian laws of which we have any knowledge fixed its value at 2½ times that of silver. We refer to the era of mines about 4,000 B.C., although the death of Moses may have long preceded the code of laws named after him and perhaps fashioned after I was he himself had previously made.
Next let us call attention to the fact that a portion of Western Asia, which formerly appertained by political relations and commercial intercourse to the Eastern world, afterwards, through the influence of Phœnician commerce, belonged to the Western world. Thus at the period above mentioned by Agatharchides, Arabia appertained to the Orient; but, at the date we are next to consider, it was within the sphere of influence of the West.
The earliest information we have concerning the Western ratio to which we can assign a date, is from a uniform inscription of about 700 B.C. at Nineveh on the river Tigris, where the ratio was one gold to 13½ silver. In Persia, about two hundred years later we know from Herodotus that the Egyptian tribute to King Darius, the Persian, was estimated at one gold to 13 silver. During the 100 years succeeding the value of silver fell; and the Western ratio widened until in Greece, and probably in all Levantine Europe, and in Asia Minor, it became one gold to 14 or 15 silver. Thereafter, from 400 B.C. till the discovery of America in A.D. 1492—or for nearly two thousand years—gold fell in value, and the Western ratio narrowed standing at last at an average of about one to eleven in all Europe.

Let the reader not lose sight of the fact that there was an Eastern ratio differing from that of the rest all through these two thousand years; and of its influence we shall say more hereafter.

NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, &c., should be addressed to the Manager, and sent to the office of the Daily Press, 27th December, 1906. [2347]

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE UNDERSIGNED have This Day REMOVED to No. 13 GAGE STREET, C. A. DOUGLAS & CO. Hongkong, 27th December, 1906. [2347]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING",

Captain A. E. Hodgins, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 29th inst., at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS, LAFFRANK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 27th December, 1906. [2348]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENLOCH",

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be received out of mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed, and cleared by the 2nd Jan., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival.

No claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival.

McGREGOR, BROS. & CO., Hongkong, 26th December, 1906. [2349]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"ERZHERZOG FRANZ FERDINAND",

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 31st December, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 31st December will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELE & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 25th December, 1906. [2350]

S.S. "SALAZAR".

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex.s.s. Medoc and Cordovan, from Havre ex.s.s. Cordovan, from Bordeaux ex.s.s. Ville de Dunkerque, in connection with above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 10 A.M., TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after TUESDAY, the 1st Jan., 1907, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in on or before the 1st Jan., 1907, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on FRIDAY, the 26th Dec., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, 25th December, 1906. [2351]

THE EASTERN EXTENSION, AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

REFERRING to the Notice of 21st September last, Senders of Telegrams are hereby advised that from the 1st January next, charges for Telegrams will be subject to revision after three months) be collected at the rate of THIRTY-SIX CENTS to equal ONE FRANC.

A. B. SKOTOWE, Superintendent, Hongkong, 20th December, 1906. [2306]

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG STATION.

REFERRING to the Notice of 20th December, 1902, and subsequent Notices, Senders of Telegrams are hereby advised that, from 1st January next, the currency equivalent of the Franc will, subject to revision after three months, be fixed at 50.36, at which rate the charge for all Telegrams will be collected from the said date.

OLAF NIELSEN, Superintendent, Hongkong, 20th December, 1906. [2307]

INTIMATIONS

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Government Notification No. 1068 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 31st instant, and TUESDAY, 1st January, 1907. Hongkong, 25th December, 1906. [2339]



ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREE MASON'S HALL, TO-DAY (THURSDAY) the 27th December, at 3.30 for 6 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 22nd December, 1906. [2328]

HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL SCHOOL, SHANGHAI.

ARRANGEMENTS are being made to take in Boarders on February 1st, 1907. Applications must be sent in not later than January 1st, 1907, to the

Rev. R. G. WINNING, The Cathedral School, Shanghai.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1906. [2229]

THE ALL NATIONS' HIGH SCHOOL AND GRADED COLLEGE.

THIS COLLEGE is now in a position to receive Pupils of all ages, either with or without board and lodging. For a thorough practical education, no better School can be found on the China Coast. Fees very moderate. Inquire at No. 7, Carnarvon Road, Kowloon, or address Mr. F. L. CLYDE, the Principal, at the College, Hongkong, 25th December, 1906. [2341]

PRIVATE INFORMATION BUREAU.

ANY person wishing to obtain Private Information on any subject of legal concern should apply to the SOUTH CHINA INFORMATION BUREAU AND INQUIRY OFFICE, No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, 2nd floor. The Bureau is managed by one who is thoroughly acquainted with the customs, habits, manners and language of the Europeans, Chinese and nearly every other nationality found in Hongkong and neighbourhood, assisted by a thoroughly competent staff. Charges very moderate. Office hours from 2.30 to 7 P.M. daily. Hongkong, 25th December, 1906. [2342]

NOTICE.

TENDERS with Sample submitted, are invited for 50,000 AUSTRALIAN HARDWOOD SLEEPERS, name GRAY GUM or IRON BUTH size 9" by 6" by 8 feet delivery c.f.i. to be made at WONGHONG RAILWAY Wharf not later than end of July, 1907. Tenders in Hongkong currency will be opened on the 4th February, 1907, at 2 P.M., at the Railway Office, WONGHONG, Canton. All Tenders must be accompanied with a Certified Cheque or Cash for \$200 as security of good faith which will be returned if not accepted. The Company is not bound to accept the lowest or any Tender. By Order, K. G. KWONG, Engineer in Chief. Yuet-Han Railway, Canton, 22nd December, 1906. [2327]

GRACA & CO.,

DEALERS IN

PICTORIAL VIEW POSTCARDS

and

POSTAGE STAMPS.

STALL AT

HONGKONG HOTEL CORRIDOR.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1906. [2297]

HARBOR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:-

On MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 28th, 29th and 30th January, 1907:-

From Albion Battery, in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 9.30 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 31st January, FRIDAY and SATURDAY the 1st & 2nd Feb:-

From Lyman and Devils Peak, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 9.30 P.M.

On MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 4th, 5th and 6th February:-

From Albion Battery, in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 9.30 P.M.

On THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 7th, 8th and 9th February:-

From Lyman, in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 9.30 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

CHARLES WILLIAM BECKWITH, Lieutenant, R.N., Harbour Master, &c., Hongkong, 20th December, 1906. [2308]

WANTED

WANTED:

A CHINESE CLERK and DRAUGHTSMAN in the Sanitary Department. Salary: \$420 to \$600 by \$60 annually. For Particulars apply to the Secretary, Sanitary Board.

J. M. ATKINSON, P.C.M.O., Hongkong, 25th December, 1906. [2340]

WANTED.

FOR a Coast Port, a YOUNG WOMAN (European or Eurasian) to help with Sewing and look after one Child. Good references required. Address: "M.", Care of "Daily Press" Office, Hongkong, 21st December, 1906. [2315]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (THURSDAY), the 27th December, 1906, at Noon, at Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s GODOWN G, BOWINGTON.

1,437 Tins KEROSENE OIL.

TERMS:-As Usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers, Hongkong, 25th December, 1906. [2343]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), On MONDAY, the 31st December, 1906, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 4, Des Vaux Road, (Corner of 100 House Street), AN ASSORTMENT OF ARTICLES suitable for New Year's GIFTS; Also

20 Cases PERINET and FILS CHAMPAGNE, 60 Cases CIGARON-MARIE, BRIZARD and ROGER 3 STARS, 100 Cases SCOTCH WHISKY; And

100 Boxes MESSALINA CIGARS, Special Holiday Stock in Daily-Gift Boxes.

TERMS:-As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 27th December, 1906. [2344]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT has received instructions from the Executors of the Mortgage to sell by Public Auction, On MONDAY, the 7th January, 1907, at 3 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY Situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, namely:-

All that piece or parcel of Ground situate at Victoria, aforesaid, registered in the Land Office as Island Lot No. 796; area 49,039 square feet or thereabouts; Terms 999 years annual Crown Rent \$275.00, together with all the means and appurtenances, as Nos. 200, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224 and 226, THIRD STREET, Victoria, aforesaid.

For Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

S. W. TSO, Solicitor for the Mortgagee, or

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer, Hongkong, 24th December, 1906. [2334]

FOR SALE

BRICK AND STONE BUNGALOW, at the PEAK called

"THE HAYSTACK" with about 2 Acres of Ground attached. Built on Farm Lots Nos. 60 & 61. For Particulars, apply to

D. K. MOSS, Care of Alex. Ross & Co., 4 Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, 1st December, 1906. [2293]

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FOR COAL, TIMBER, &c.

TO BE LET, a Portion of MARINE LOT No. 285 at NORTH POINT, Suitable for above Purpose. EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEEP WATER.

Also FOR SALE, Portions of MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 32 on PRATA EAST. Approximate AREA 43,000 SQUARE FT. 99 YEARS LEASE. For Particulars, apply to

GEO. FENWICK & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 8th June, 1906. [1153]

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BOUND VOLUMES of the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, January to June 1906. With Index. Price \$7.50. On sale at the Hongkong Daily Press Office Hongkong 27th July, 1906

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Mrs. F. W. WATTS, "Braeside," 20, Macdonnell Road (late of "Tang Yuen"), Hongkong, 27th June, 1906. [41]

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OFFERED in WELL APPOINTED HOUSE, Fine View, every Comfort, Large Verandah Upper Level. Apply to:-

Cave of "Daily Press" Office, Hongkong, 18th October, 1906. [1398]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MR. S. GILLANDERS

"GLENWOOD," 27, CAINE ROAD, Hongkong, 20th September 1906. [1751]

TO LET

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No. 52, CAINE ROAD.

A New House in KENNEDY ROAD, near Wan Chai. No. 18, McDONNELL ROAD, "Taro Yuen." Apply to:-

SAM WANG CO. LTD., 31, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 13th November, 1906. [2087]

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2ND FLOOR of No. 6, ICE HOUSE STREET, Centrally situated and with easy reach of the principal Banks and business houses. Apply on the premises to:-

TATA & CO., Hongkong, 24th December, 1906. [2333]

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YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, DELTA	DELTA	About 28th	Freight and
MOJI and KOBE	Capt. C. L. Daniel	December	Passage.
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OF CALL	Capt. J. D. Andrews, R.M.R.	December	Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP	NAMUR	About 3rd	Freight and
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	Capt. H. W. Kenrick, R.M.R.	January	Passage.
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Hongkong, 25th December, 1906.

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MANILA	"TAMING"	On 1st Jan., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"YOCOW"	On 4th Jan., 4 P.M.
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STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 2nd January
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY ... 16th January
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 30th January
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY ... 13th February
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY ... 27th February
PRINZ LUDWIG	WEDNESDAY ... 13th March
ZETEN	WEDNESDAY ... 27th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY ... 10th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 24th April
	WEDNESDAY ... 8th May

ON WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of JANUARY, 1907, at Noon, the Steamship
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TO NAPLES, GENOA and GIBRALTAR	231 0 0	242 0 0	222 0 0
return	91 0 0	63 0 0	33 0 0
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN AND HAMBURG	65 0 0	44 0 0	24 0 0
return	97 0 0	66 0 0	35 0 0
TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	64 0 0	44 0 0	26 0 0
VIA NAPLES, GENOA or GIBRALTAR	1115 0 0	79 0 0	41 0 0
return	88 0 0	46 0 0	27 0 0
VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON	123 0 0	83 0 0	43 0 0

* In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and
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FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN,
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
SANDAKAN	1793 tons ... FRIDAY, 4th Jan.
MANILA	1790 tons ... FRIDAY, 1st Feb.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3277 tons ... THURSDAY, 23rd Feb.

ON FRIDAY, the 4th JANUARY, at Noon, the Steamship "SANDAKAN,"
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RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO MANILA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
TO NEW GUINEA	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
TO BRISBANE	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$15.00
TO SYDNEY	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$18.00
TO MELBOURNE	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
TO YOKOHAMA	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$30.00
TO KOBE	\$55.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
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SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, "PRINZ HEINRICH"	Wednesday, 2nd Jan.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, "GNEISENAU"	Wednesday, 16th Jan.
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"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 17th Jan.	4th Feb.
"MONTEAGLE"	6,163	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Jan.	16th Feb.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 14th Feb.	4th Mar.
"ATHENIAN"	5,982	WEDNESDAY, 20th Feb.	16th Mar.
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TJIPANAS	JAPAN	Second half of January	JAVA PORTS	Second half of January
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The Delta, with the English mail of the 30th ult., left Singapore on Saturday, the 22nd inst., at 1 p.m., and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 30th Oct. and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all-sea route on the night of the 21st Nov., and for despatch overland on the early morning of the 28th of November.

FOR	PREL	DATE
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Yamato Maru	Thursday, 27th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	E. F. Ferdinand	Thursday, 27th, 1.00 P.M.
Manila	Honam	Thursday, 27th, 1.15 P.M.
Cebu and Iloilo	Kaifong	Thursday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Newcastle, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Kumano Maru	Friday, 28th, 10.00 A.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1906.

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Sole, Kerosene Oil, at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Godown, G. Bowrington, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 12 noon.
Regular Meeting of the Zeland Lodge, Freemasons' Hall, 5.30 for 6 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Dec. 24th.	
C LONDON.	
Bank Transfer	2/3
Bank Bills, on demand	2/3 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	2/3 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
ON PARIS.	
Bank Bills, on demand	234 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	234 1/2
ON GENEVA.	
Bank Bills, on demand	231
ON NEW YORK.	
Bank Bills, on demand	54 1/2
Credit, 30 days' sight	55 1/2
ON BOMBAY.	
Bank Bills, on demand	169 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.	
Bank Bills, on demand	169 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.	
Bank, at sight	73
Private, 30 days' sight	73 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.	
Bank, on demand	110 1/2
ON MANILA.	
Bank, on demand	110 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.	
Bank, on demand	33 p.m.
ON BATAVIA.	
Bank, on demand	135 1/2
ON HANKOW.	
Bank, on demand	34 p.m.
ON HONGKONG.	
Bank, on demand	34 p.m.
ON SHANGHAI.	
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ON SINGAPORE.	
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